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the penalties against Microsoft

It is just my opinion, but my opinion is one that I must express....

If we wonder just how it is that computer technology has come so far in such a short period of time, then we need only look so far as Microsoft. Have they been ruthless in conducting their business? Yes. But that ruthlessness has allowed for there to be universal standards which have produced conformities that alone have propelled the development of this technology. We can all be certain that without Microsofts approach we would be years behind where we are now. It seems to me that penalizing a company for doing business, in a calculated and efficient way, is not only contrary to the American dream, but is also contrary to what American business needs - these days especially. If you want to halt rapid progress, and/or, if you want to set American business and the economy back, then do proceed. Its not like the debacle of the Bell break up is non-sequitor here.

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